

Application No. 09/414,483
Amendment dated November 5, 2004
Reply to Office Action of August 16, 2004

Amendments to the Specification

Please replace paragraph 6, page 4 with the following rewritten paragraph:

One of the corner reinforcements 20 is shown in greater detail in Figure 1D and comprises a box-shaped section 30 having four sides 32, 33, 34 and 35; laterally extending flange 36 and 37 projecting horizontally from the sides 33 and 35 and a vertically extending flange 38 projecting from the side 32, i.e. the top, of the box-shaped section 30. More particularly, the flanges 36 and 38 extend from the mid-sections of the sides 33 and 32, which as can be seen from Figure 1A are dimensioned so that the flanges 36 and 37 fit snugly on top of the rails 14 of an adjacent pair of the frames of Figure 1, while the vertical flange 38 fits between the vertical sides of these two frames. The flanges 36, 37 and 38 are secured to the frames by nails or staples (not shown), with the ends of the lumber in abutment with the box-shaped section 30. As can be seen from Figures 1 and 1A, the underside of the box-shaped section 30 of the corner connector 20 is flush with the undersides of the rails 14 and the opposite sides of the box-shaped section 30 are flush with the vertical sides of the side members 16.